

The True Northerner.

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NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

Mr. Bayard offered a resolution in the Senate on Tuesday, which was adopted, that the Committee on Naval Affairs inquire into the expediency of equipping a foundry for the manufacture of modern artillery of the largest caliber. Mr. Vest presented a memorial from the territorial council of New Mexico regarding the assumption of power by the clerk, and a resolution was adopted that the matter be investigated by the Committee on Territories. Mr. Vest presented a memorial from the territorial council of New Mexico regarding the assumption of power by the clerk, and a resolution was adopted that the matter be investigated by the Committee on Territories. Mr. Vest presented a memorial from the territorial council of New Mexico regarding the assumption of power by the clerk, and a resolution was adopted that the matter be investigated by the Committee on Territories.

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Three per cent. debentures..... 264,810,500
Refunding certificates..... 300,800
Navy pension fund..... 14,000,000
Total interest-bearing debt..... \$1,266,840,900

Matured debt..... \$12,067,365
Debt bearing no interest..... 846,738,586
Legal-tender notes..... 18,215,000
Gold and silver certificates..... 218,581,321
Fractional currency..... 6,985,907
Total without interest..... \$596,522,214

Total debt (principal)..... \$1,863,400,479
Total interest..... 10,364,105
Total cash in treasury..... 296,203,451
Debt, less cash in treasury..... 1,567,197,033
Decrease during February..... 2,582,587
Decrease of debt since June 30, 1881..... 67,599,074

Current liabilities.....
Interest due and unpaid..... \$1,572,837
Debt on which interest has ceased..... 12,067,365
Interest thereon..... 250,000
Gold and silver certificates..... 218,581,321
U. S. notes held for redemption of certificates of deposit..... 18,215,000
Cash balance available..... 145,534,281
Total..... \$306,293,451

Bonds issued to Pacific railway companies, interest payable by United States.....
Principal outstanding..... \$4,628,513
Interest accrued, not yet paid..... 646,235
Interest paid by United States..... 61,106,758
Interest repaid by companies.....
By transportation service..... \$17,395,865
By cash payments, 5 per cent. net earnings..... 650,100
Balance of interest paid by United States..... 45,500,730

act concerning the outbreak of the foot-and-mouth disease at Neosho Falls, Kan. A district circular in shape of a diamond of fifty miles, with its center somewhere in Greenwood and other counties in Southeastern Kansas, is affected. Gov. Glick, a prominent stock-raiser, is giving exclusive official attention to the matter, and believes that the disease can be stamped out with the expenditure of \$5,000. The locality is already closely quarantined. This is the first outbreak of this cattle-pest in America. The disease generally leaves the animal without effect.

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Herr von Eisendeker, the German Minister at Washington, announces that he has received from Berlin the Lasker resolution which Bismarck would not let his Reichstag see. Eisendeker will send the insulting message to the State Department, and the matter will be before the House as soon as Frelinghuysen shall have recovered from the congestive chill into which the communication will throw him.

THE FOLLOWING NOMINATIONS FOR STATE OFFICES WERE MADE BY THE LOUISIANA REPUBLICAN CONVENTION, AT NEW ORLEANS: Governor, John A. Stevenson, of Iberville; Lieutenant Governor, William Burwell; Secretary of State, F. W. Liggins; Attorney General, John H. Stone; Auditor, Claudius Mayon; Treasurer, Dr. A. DuPerrier; Superintendent of Education, B. F. Flanders, formerly Sub-Treasurer. A resolution was offered in the convention instructing the delegates to the Chicago convention and greeted with applause. It was referred to the Committee on Resolutions, which reported in favor of Arthur. The sentiment of the convention, however, was so favorable to Logan that the matter was not pressed and the delegates go uninstructed.

The Cincinnati Enquirer has been sounding the political pulse of the Indians concerning their Presidential preference. In response to letters sent out to all quarters

of the State, 5,084 expressed themselves in favor of McDonald, 938 were for Payne, 438 for Tilden, 227 for Voorhees, and 97 for Hendricks. Among Republicans, 1,628 were for Blaine, 1,459 for Arthur, 1,021 for Gov. Porter, 881 for Ben Harrison, 654 for Gresham, 509 for Logan, 481 for W. T. Sherman, and 342 for John Sherman. For second choice, Payne and Randall among the Democrats, and Harrison, Porter, Gresham, and Gen. Sherman among the Republicans, ranked in the order named. For Governor of Indiana a strong Democratic preference was developed for L. P. Gray, while Calhoun was shown to be strongest with Republicans. The expressions regarding the tariff were as follows: Protective tariff, 639; tariff for revenue, with incidental protection, 5,344; tariff for revenue only, 811.

A Washington politician figures that Arthur will go into the Chicago Republican Convention with 362 votes, and thinks he is certain of the nomination.

FIRE RECORD.

A record of the conflagrations shows that there were 181 fires in February where the loss was between \$10,000 and \$200,000, with one other fire of \$500,000. Adding the January fire loss, this makes for two months \$190,000, the loss in January being \$12,000, and that of February \$7,000,000. There were only eight fires in February where the loss reached or exceeded \$100,000, but there were twenty-six the destructiveness of which ranged between \$50,000 and \$100,000. The fire record for last week was as follows:

Location	Loss
Amebush, Mass., Union Block.....	40,000
Lorain, Ohio, brass works.....	35,000
Mishawaka, Ind., wagon works.....	25,000
Frederick, Ill., flour mill.....	20,000
Oil City, Pa., Opera House Block.....	50,000
LaGrange, Mo., grain warehouse.....	20,000
Laureburg, N. C., ten stores.....	40,000
Portland, Conn., machine works.....	10,000
Utica, N. Y., the Observer Building and nine other structures.....	80,000
Painted Post, N. Y., engine works.....	15,000
Weatherford, Texas, Court House.....	60,000
New Paltz, N. Y., Academy Building.....	30,000
Crisfield, Ill., flour mill.....	10,000
Bond du Lac, Wis., drug warehouse.....	10,000
Fond du Lac, Wis., steamboat.....	20,000
Denton, Texas, hotel.....	20,000
Donkey, Texas, hotel.....	20,000
Somerville, Mass., dry works.....	20,000
Waukegan, Ill., business property.....	10,000
Frederick, Ill., flour mill.....	10,000
Seneca, Mo., five stores.....	10,000
Hannibal, Mo., four stores.....	10,000
New York, N. Y., hotel.....	10,000
Horicon, Wis., grist mill.....	15,000
Pottsville, Pa., Academy Building.....	30,000
Providence, R. I., yarn factory.....	15,000
Aikona, Minn., hotel.....	10,000
Detroit, Mich., dry goods store.....	10,000
Olema, Mo., business property.....	50,000
Philadelphia, Pa., cloth factory.....	10,000
Rhinebeck, N. Y., freight house.....	40,000

A WEEK'S FAILURES.

The following commercial failures were reported during the week:

Name	Liabilities
W. L. King, dry goods, Rockport, N. Y.	20,000
James H. Hogan, groceries, Galena, Ill.	15,000
J. O'Sullivan, lumber, St. Louis.....	30,000
C. F. Meacham, fish, Montreal.....	100,000
W. A. Few, manufacturer, Gloucester, Mass.	225,000
Albert Benson, clothing, Chicago.....	15,000
Spaulding & Co., printers, Chicago.....	20,000
E. S. Howell, dry goods, Bath, N. Y.	100,000
David & Letcher, hardware, Little Rock, Ark.	20,000
Alexander Butler, agricultural implements, Plattsville, Wis.	30,000
H. B. Detrick & Co., San Francisco.....	250,000
Woodward, Baldwin & Co., brokers, Philadelphia, Pa.	380,000
The Mt. Vernon Co., Baltimore.....	10,000
Woodward, Baldwin & Co., Baltimore.....	10,000
Middlecroft & Sons, Clinton, Iowa.....	20,000
Zimmerman & Grubb, grain, Greenville, Ohio.....	30,000

MISCELLANEOUS.

Yarmouth County (Nova Scotia) citizens have adopted the Scott temperance act by a large majority.

Recent deaths: Gen. Schramm, a French hero of the Napoleonic era; Gen. de Wimpfen, upon whom fell the duty of surrendering the French army at Sedan; Lucius J. Knowles, one of the wealthiest citizens of Worcester, Mass., well known as an inventor; R. D. Hubbard, ex-Governor of Connecticut; Edward Smith, of Boston, an early Abolitionist and associate of William Lloyd Garrison; Mrs. Mary Brown, of San Francisco, Cal., widow of Osearomio Brown; Dr. D. F. Robertson, of Port Jervis, N. Y., inventor of the flying machine; Alvin Hingwood, leading merchant of Boston; J. B. Winstanley, a leading citizen of New Albany, Ind.; John Rapp, a pioneer of Henry County, Ill.; Col. Joseph Cushing, of Dover, N. H., one of the oldest circus managers in the country.

Charles H. Reed steps to the front with a statement that on the day preceding his execution Guitau declared most positively that no one but God and himself knew anything of his intention to kill President Garfield.

Members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee give assurances that the returned Lasker resolution, when it reaches their hands, will be acted upon. The members in question resent the idea that they would be parties to the shelving of the affair and the pocketing of the insult.

Northern Dakota stands a fair chance of being called Lincoln. The House Committee on Territories at Washington has adopted that name.

Manitoba grows daily more rebellious. Coupled with this firmer stand comes the information from Ottawa that the Premier ridicules the demands of the disaffected provincials, and declares that a few dollars would stop all their pains.

FOREIGN.

The speech from the throne, at the opening of the German Reichstag, announces a scheme for accident insurance, and fore-shadows the presentation of a bill for insurance for the infirm and aged. Bills will be introduced to extend the anti-socialist law and to control joint stock companies. The Secessionist and Progressist parties will combine to form the Liberals. The Lasker matter will not be discussed until some international settlement is made.

Nineteen suicides have occurred at Monte Carlo since the year opened, on account of losses by gambling, and demands that the play be suppressed are becoming frequent.

Anarchists have been storing nitro-glycerine on the premises of the Viennese Rothschild.

Nellis, who professed to reveal the names of the murderers of the Earl of Leithrim to the police at Greenock, Scotland, has been adjudged insane, and sent to an asylum.

British shipowners are making a loud protest against the Government bill to protect life and property at sea. The objects of the bill are antagonistic to the ideas and interests of the commercial marine.

In the German Reichstag, the other day, the President announced the death of Lasker and other members, during the recess. A warm discussion ensued, the Progressists thanking the American House of Representatives for its action, and the Conservatives defending Bismarck's doings. Another conference of Irish leaders will be held at Easteride to reunite the broken clans. Agitation will again begin in Ireland, and the services of Michael Davitt will be sought. The object of the new campaign will be the amendment of the Irish land act.

LATER NEWS ITEMS.

A snowslide half a mile wide in the Little Cottonwood, Utah, swept away the works of the new Emma Mine and killed twelve persons.

At a meeting of the representatives of the barrel-wire manufacturers at St. Louis, recently, it was resolved to amalgamate the various companies under the name of the National Barbed Wire Company of America.

The Chief Constable of South Carolina and his armed force captured Col. E. R. Cash by leveling their rifles at him, but Bogart Cash escaped to the swamp. A strong guard was placed around the mansion, and the prisoner was sent to Chesterfield Jail. A large force of men familiar with the swamp was summoned from Cheraw to run down the murderer.

The leading glass works at St. Louis and Alto have resumed operations, and others will soon follow, after an idleness extending over many months.

The District Convention of the Amalgamated Association at Pittsburgh, last week decided to demand that the existing rate of wages be paid during the ensuing year.

At Pittsburgh, last week, prominent labor leaders organized a National Homestead Association. The object is to secure homes for workmen and establish more harmonious relations between capital and labor.

Fires have been lighted in every green bottle factory in Pittsburgh except one. The men have been out on a strike for the past eight months, and will resume work at last year's wages.

American window-glass blowers who went to Belgium during the strike, and have returned, say the settlement at Pittsburgh caused the closing of forty-one factories in Belgium, the demand being cut off, and proprietors of the remaining factories have reduced wages 18 per cent.

A New Orleans dispatch reports a serious break in the Mississippi levee above that city. The waters were pouring through in torrents, and all efforts to mend it had proved unavailing. Small breaks had appeared at other points. The Tennessee River at Chattanooga had overflowed and railroad traffic in that vicinity was interrupted.

Five men employed in the construction of a railroad in Pyle Canon, Union County, Ore., were caught under a mass of earth and rock and instantly killed.

A party of ten prospectors who recently left Hubbard, on the Northern Pacific Road, for the Cour d'Alene mines, are believed to have perished in the snow, as they have not been heard from for thirteen days.

A. M. Gibson testified before Mr. Springer's committee relative to his connection with the star-route investigation. He said he had received \$5,000 for his services as counsel, and that it was a small compensation in comparison to what was paid to other parties. The witness further testified that in prosecuting the star-route men the Government took the most complicated case, when it was its business to take the simplest and plainest case. Continuing, Mr. Gibson said: "After Brewster was made Attorney General he said the duties of his office were so enormous that he could not give time to cases of this kind. He had been in the case before simply to make an argument as to the legality of filing an information. That's all he did, and for this he received \$5,000."

Because of the occupation of Merv, Russia will establish a legation at Kabul.

Advices from Tonquin state that Gen. Millot, commander of the French forces, has advanced in the direction of Bao Ninh.

THE MARKET.

NEW YORK.	
REVERE.....	6.50 @ 7.50
CORN.....	5.00 @ 5.25
WHEAT.....	3.75 @ 6.25
WHEAT—No. 2.....	1.07 @ 1.08
WHEAT—No. 3.....	1.10 @ 1.15
CORN—No. 2.....	.63 @ .65
OATS—Mixed.....	.39 @ .41
PORE—Mess.....	17.50 @ 18.00
LARD.....	.09 @ .09 1/2
CHICAGO.	
REVERE—Choice to Prime Steers.....	6.75 @ 7.25
REVERE—Fair to Good.....	6.50 @ 6.75
Common to Medium.....	6.25 @ 6.50
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REVERE—Fair to Good.....	6.50 @ 6.75
Common to Medium.....	6.25 @ 6.50
WHEAT—No. 2.....	.91 @ .93
WHEAT—No. 3.....	.88 @ .90
CORN—No. 2.....	.51 @ .52
OATS—No. 2.....	.32 @ .35
PORE—No. 2.....	.73 @ .76
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	.33 @ .35
EGGS—Fresh.....	.21 @ .22
PORE—Mess.....	17.50 @ 18.00
LARD.....	.09 @ .09 1/2
MILWAUKEE.	
WHEAT—No. 2.....	.92 @ .93
CORN—No. 2.....	.51 @ .52
OATS—No. 2.....	.31 @ .33
PORE—No. 2.....	.73 @ .76
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	.33 @ .35
EGGS—Fresh.....	.21 @ .22
PORE—Mess.....	17.50 @ 18.00
LARD.....	.09 @ .09 1/2
ST. LOUIS.	
WHEAT—No. 2.....	1.10 @ 1.11
CORN—No. 2.....	.48 @ .49
OATS—No. 2.....	.32 @ .35
PORE—No. 2.....	.73 @ .76
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	.33 @ .35
EGGS—Fresh.....	.21 @ .22
PORE—Mess.....	17.50 @ 18.00
LARD.....	.09 @ .09 1/2
CINCINNATI.	
WHEAT—No. 2.....	1.06 @ 1.08
CORN—No. 2.....	.48 @ .49
OATS—No. 2.....	.32 @ .35
PORE—No. 2.....	.73 @ .76
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	.33 @ .35
EGGS—Fresh.....	.21 @ .22
PORE—Mess.....	17.50 @ 18.00
LARD.....	.09 @ .09 1/2
TOLEDO.	
WHEAT—No. 2.....	1.02 @ 1.05
CORN—No. 2.....	.48 @ .49
OATS—No. 2.....	.32 @ .35
PORE—No. 2.....	.73 @ .76
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	.33 @ .35
EGGS—Fresh.....	.21 @ .22
PORE—Mess.....	17.50 @ 18.00
LARD.....	.09 @ .09 1/2
INDIANAPOLIS.	
WHEAT—No. 2.....	1.01 @ 1.03
CORN—No. 2.....	.47 @ .49
OATS—No. 2.....	.31 @ .33
PORE—No. 2.....	.73 @ .76
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	.33 @ .35
EGGS—Fresh.....	.21 @ .22
PORE—Mess.....	17.50 @ 18.00
LARD.....	.09 @ .09 1/2
EAST LEBERTY.	
CATTLE—Best.....	6.00 @ 7.00
PORE—No. 2.....	1.01 @ 1.03
EGGS—Fresh.....	.21 @ .22
PORE—Mess.....	17.50 @ 18.00
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CIVIL SERVICE.

Extracts from the Voluminous Report of the Civil-Service Commission.

The Evils of the Spoils System Set Forth and a Good Word Spoken for the Common Schools.

The following message was sent to Congress on the 29th ult.:

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES: In compliance with an act of Congress approved Jan. 16, 1883, entitled "An act to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States," the Civil Service Commission has made to the President its first annual report. That report is herewith transmitted, together with a communication from the heads of the several executive departments of the Government respecting the practical working of the law under the results which that law has already accomplished. I congratulate Congress and the people, and I am convinced that it will henceforth prove to be of still more signal benefit to the public service.

I heartily commend the zeal and fidelity of the civil servants of the Government, and I advise the making of such appropriation as shall be adequate for their needs.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, Feb. 29, 1884.

The report makes a volume of sixty-seven closely printed pages. It states that the several objects which appear to be the more direct results of the law are: first, the improvement of the civil service; second, the improvement of the public service; third, the improvement of the public service; fourth, the improvement of the public service; fifth, the improvement of the public service; sixth, the improvement of the public service; seventh, the improvement of the public service; eighth, the improvement of the public service; ninth, the improvement of the public service; tenth, the improvement of the public service; eleventh, the improvement of the public service; twelfth, the improvement of the public service; thirteenth, the improvement of the public service; fourteenth, the improvement of the public service; fifteenth, the improvement of the public service; sixteenth, the improvement of the public service; seventeenth, the improvement of the public service; eighteenth, the improvement of the public service; nineteenth, the improvement of the public service; twentieth, the improvement of the public service; twenty-first, the improvement of the public service; twenty-second, the improvement of the public service; twenty-third, the improvement of the public service; twenty-fourth, the improvement of the public service; twenty-fifth, the improvement of the public service; twenty-sixth, the improvement of the public service; twenty-seventh, the improvement of the public service; twenty-eighth, the improvement of the public service; twenty-ninth, the improvement of the public service; thirtieth, the improvement of the public service; thirty-first, the improvement of the public service; thirty-second, the improvement of the public service; thirty-third, the improvement of the public service; thirty-fourth, the improvement of the public service; thirty-fifth, the improvement of the public service; thirty-sixth, the improvement of the public service; thirty-seventh, the improvement of the public service; thirty-eighth, the improvement of the public service; thirty-ninth, the improvement of the public service; fortieth, the improvement of the public service; forty-first, the improvement of the public service; forty-second, the improvement of the public service; forty-third, the improvement of the public service; forty-fourth, the improvement of the public service; forty-fifth, the improvement of the public service; forty-sixth, the improvement of the public service; forty-seventh, the improvement of the public service; forty-eighth, the improvement of the public service; forty-ninth, the improvement of the public service; fiftieth, the improvement of the public service; fifty-first, the improvement of the public service; fifty-second, the improvement of the public service; fifty-third, the improvement of the public service; fifty-fourth, the improvement of the public service; fifty-fifth, the improvement of the public service; fifty-sixth, the improvement of the public service; fifty-seventh, the improvement of the public service; fifty-eighth, the improvement of the public service; fifty-ninth, the improvement of the public service; sixtieth, the improvement of the public service; sixty-first, the improvement of the public service; sixty-second, the improvement of the public service; sixty-third, the improvement of the public service; sixty-fourth, the improvement of the public service; sixty-fifth, the improvement of the public service; sixty-sixth, the improvement of the public service; sixty-seventh, the improvement of the public service; sixty-eighth, the improvement of the public service; sixty-ninth, the improvement of the public service; seventieth, the improvement of the public service; seventy-first, the improvement of the public service; seventy-second, the improvement of the public service; seventy-third, the improvement of the public service; seventy-fourth, the improvement of the public service; seventy-fifth, the improvement of the public service; seventy-sixth, the improvement of the public service; seventy-seventh, the improvement of the public service; seventy-eighth, the improvement of the public service; seventy-ninth, the improvement of the public service; eightieth, the improvement of the public service; eighty-first, the improvement of the public service; eighty-second, the improvement of the public service; eighty-third, the improvement of the public service; eighty-fourth, the improvement of the public service; eighty-fifth, the improvement of the public service; eighty-six